

Amendments to the Specification:

Please replace paragraph [0023] with the following amended paragraph:

FIG. 2 illustrates an example client/server system 200 is a second example client/server system for securely configuring a machine in a pre-operating system environment. A server 202 is connected to the Internet 204 and is connected to a corporate network 210 (e.g., an ~~Intel~~ internal network). A first client type 206 (e.g., a set of laptop computers having a specific configuration and/or hardware) is connected to the server 202 via the Internet 204. A second client type 208 (e.g., a set of desktop computers having a specific configuration and/or hardware) is also connected to the server 202 via the Internet 208. The first client type 206 and the second client type 208 are both configured to receive configuration updates from the server 202 via the Internet 204.

Please replace paragraph [0031] with the following amended paragraph:

If the Hello Message is detected (block 308), the client's message module 108 may send an acknowledgement message or some other indication that the Hello Message was received. The client 102 then determines its operating mode (block 316). The operating mode may be, but is not limited to, a managed client (e.g., a corporate IT managed machine) and/or an independent client (e.g., a consumer machine). If the client 102 is a managed client (block 318), the TPM 106 provides a conventional attestation (block

320). The conventional attestation may include the client's serial number, a TPM_Quote (e.g., a cryptographic reporting of [[PCR]] Platform Configuration Registers (PCR) values), and/or a client's network name. If the client 102 is not a managed client (block 318), the TPM 106 provides a pseudo-anonymous attestation (block 322). The pseudo-anonymous attestation provides a method to securely identify a client 102 without revealing the client's identity and/or a user's personal information (e.g., the pseudo-anonymous attestation provides information proving that the client 102 is a valid platform, but does not provide information identifying the machine). The pseudo-anonymous attestation may include, for example, an AIK.